GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4391
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2000
AXLE LOAD ON TRUCKS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether All India Motor Transport Congress (AIMTC) has demanded raising the permissible axle load on trucks and grant of industry status to the transport sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with other demands made by the AIMTC; and

(c) the time by which the said demands are likely to be considered?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(Independent Charge)(MAJOR GENERAL(RETD) B.C. KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a)&(b) Yes Sir. The AIMTC has demanded that the Gross Vehicle Weight be increased by 25 per cent and Road Tax be charged on pro-rata basis. They have also demanded that road transport be declared as an industry with the benefits of industry status. The other demands are that the composite tax for National Permit be Rs.3000 p.a. and uniform throughout the Country and minimum freight rate of truckers be fixed.

(c) As these require detailed scrutiny and discussion, no exact time frame can be given.